## Superior Court of California, County of Tuolumne To All Parents with Minor Children Who Are Filing For Dissolution Children of Divorce Workshop

## Rationale:

Divorce and long term separation are experienced by many families. Research shows that children who experience divorce are at risk for developing social, emotional, psychological, and school related problems during and following divorce. Children's adjustment depends on minimizing parental conflict.

The goals of the workshop are to: discuss the effects of divorce on the family, teach parents how their emotions and behavior impact their children, help parents develop a business relationship, discuss common stress symptoms experienced by families and how to help with recovery.

## **Program Regulations:**

Tuolumne County has mandated through Local Court Rule 3.06f., that, after filing for dissolution or separate maintenance, those parties with dependent children will be required to attend an educational program designed to inform parents of the effects of divorce on their children. This program is mandatory and must be attended within four months of filing.

- 1. Both parties must attend. They may attend separate sessions.
- 2. The parties may schedule the program before the first court appearance.
- 3. The court will order attendance of the program within 45 days of the first court appearance.
- 4. Failure to comply within the time frames set forth may result in monetary or court sanctions.

Location of workshop: Jury Assembly Room (39 North Washington St), Sonora, CA Time: All workshops are on Saturdays from 8:30am-12:30pm. Registration begins at 8:00am.

| December 10, 2011 | June 2, 2012       |
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| January 21, 2012  | August 25, 2012    |
| February 18, 2012 | September 15, 2012 |
| March 10, 2012    | October 20, 2012   |
| April 28, 2012    | November 17, 2012  |
| May 19, 2012      | December 8, 2012   |

Fee: The fee is \$35 per person. Only cash is accepted. For those who qualify for a fee waiver when filing the divorce papers or response papers, the workshop fee is waived. You must bring proof of your fee waiver to the workshop. Questions regarding fee waivers may be addressed by calling the Superior Clerks Office at 533-6936.

What to bring: Please bring identification, \$35 or waiver.

Lost certificates: Issues relating to lost certificates can be addressed by calling Suzi Corman at 588-1852. Please leave your name, phone number, and approximate date that you attended the workshop so that your file can be accessed.

CHILDCARE IS NOT PROVIDED. PLEASE DO NOT BRING CHILDREN.